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: ELECTRIC DRIVE UNIT FOR GENERATING AN OSCILLATING

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Title

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## COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicants recognize that in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 1302.14, the Examiner's reasons for allowance need not set forth all of the details as to why the claims are allowed. In the abovereferenced application. Applicants do not concede that the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance are the only reasons for which the claims are allowable. In particular, Applicants do not concede that all of the identified limitations of any particular claim are necessary to distinguish the prior art of record or to satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112. Furthermore, it is understood that the Examiner's characterization of the prior art is not intended to be an exhaustive or detailed explanation of non-obviousness. While Applicants agree that the claims are allowable over these references. Applicants maintain that the independent claims may be patentable for other reasons, and that the dependent claims are allowable on their own merits as a sub-combination of the recited features of the dependent claims and their respective base claims.

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